Express Mail Label No. EV 339062358 US Docket No. AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity) OCT 0 1 2004 50623.267 Applicant(s): Stephen D. Pacetti et al. Group Art Unit Serial No. Filing Date 10/630,250 July 30, 2003 Ramsey E. Zacharia 1773 Invention: Hydrophobic Biologically Absorbable Coatings For Drug Delivery Devices And Methods For Fabricating The Same TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as show below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** CLAIMS REMAINING HIGHEST# **NUMBER EXTRA** PREV. PAID FOR CLAIMS PRESENT RATE ADDITIONAL FEE AFTER AMENDMENT TOTAL CLAIMS 97 34 63 X \$18.00 \$1,134.00 INDEP. CLAIMS 7 3 4 \$88.00 \$352.00 \$00.00 Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT \$1,486.00 No additional fee is required for amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. 07-1850 in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$1,486.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed. \boxtimes The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any necessary fees associated with this communication or credit \boxtimes any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1850 A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17. Dated: October 1, 2004 Zhaoyang Li, Ph.D. Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. Reg. No. 46,872 1 Maritime Plaza, Suite 300 San Francisco, CA 94111 (415) 954-0200 cc: Docket:

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Examiner Zacharia:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 20, 2004, which has a shortened statutory period for response that will end on October 20, 2004, please amend the claims and consider the remarks as follows. Accompanying this response is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, submitting copies of references C2, C4, C6 in the Information Disclosure Statement submitted on February 23, 2004.

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